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SCRANTON, JUNE 8, 1900.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT, CHARLES EMORY SMITH. OF PENNSYLVANIA.

REPUBLICAN NOMINATIONS.

Congressmen-at-Large - GALUSHA A. GROW. ROBERT H. FOERDELER.

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The invitation to the Ninth regiment of Wilkes-Barre to take part in the ceremonies of welcome to General Otis, at Rochester, was a graceful compliment to the wife of the distinguished officer, who is a native or Luzerne county, and it is to be hoped that the soldiers will be able to avail themselves of the opportunity offered to enjoy the hospitality of Rochester. The Ninth is one of the finest bodies of men in the service and the regiment will no doubt be one of the features of the occasion in case the invitation shall be accepted.

The Logical Nominee.

RENOMINATION President McKinley is conceded. No opposition has appeared against him. He has done his work so well and the country under his administration has been so successful in war and so prosperous and progressive in peace that for the Republican party not to continue him at the helm of the ship of state would be ungrateful and unwise.

President McKinley, however, needs the help of a Republican congress to continue the magnificent success he has already won. All the policies which he and his sagacious advisers formulate: all the laws which promote the general welfare have to be worked out in congress. A Democratic congress would not co-operate with the Republican president; it would spend the people's time and money in trying to put the people's chief executive in a hole. A Republican congress consisting largely of new men would be at a disadvantage against the resourceful leaders of the Democracy.

The reasons which make William McKinley the logical candidate of his party for renomination as president William Connell the logical candidate of the Republican voters of Lackawanna county for renomination as congressman. The two have worked together. They have never been apart. Every measure that the one has favored in the white house the other has supported at the capitol. Every effort of the enemy to embarrass and hamper the president has found in William Connell an opponent who has never wavered and who has never been led astrav.

While those not favorable to his candidacy have been free to canvass actively against him at home, he has considered that his place was at his post of public duty. Elected with Me-Kinley in 1896, he remained steadily on the ground to vote for Republican principles and measures where each vote counted. His record at Washington is an open one and forms his claim for the continued confidence and support of his constituents. On this record he seeks a renomination at Monday's primaries and solicits the active co-operation of all his friends.

No one seems to care what George Fred Williams thinks of the situation,

The Work of Congress.

THEN THE magnitude of the interests dependant upon congress is considered, a magnitude great ly increased by the legislative consequences of the recent war, the fact that some legislation of vast importance was not finished at the first session of the Fifty-sixth congress is not astonishing; the wonder is that upon the eve of a presidential campaign, when the manufacture of campaign capital is a dominant consideration with the leaders of both parties, so much has been done and in the main well done.

Of the completed legislation of the first session, easily the most important is the financial act making permanent the gold standard and liberalizing the provisions regulating bank note circu-Comprehensive laws for the government of Porto Rico and Hawaii have been passed, and much progress has been made by the committees in charge of legislation affecting the other dependencies. The passage of the free homestead act opens to free entry millions of acres of public land In the west heretofore sold at stated figures per acre. A valuable law for the protection of game birds and animals has been passed; this year's naval bill is the most elaborate and generous contribution yet made to the upbuilding of our navy. A law to correct inequalities in the existing pension legislation has been passed; and by the exclusion of Brigham Roberts polygamy has been effectually repud-

Of legislation advanced but not completed, the most important are the Hay-Pauncefote treaty with reference to the Nicaragua canal, the shipping bill and the army reorganization bill. Each of these measures is reasonably egislation, by which term is meant theory on which property of all kinds had "

the annual or biennial appropriations for the carrying on of the continually enlarging and diversifying processes of government, has been attended to conscientiously and in a business-like manner. The appropriations of the ses sion exceed \$700,000,000 but there is little waste and much less than the usual padding.

It is not necessary for one to look through a very powerful telescope to see the end of the African war.

Where Will It End?

N CONSEQUENCE of the violent feeling which has grown out of great inconvenience as well as to the perils which attend a break-down of law and order; and lately, to crown of respectable character, for having ridden upon cars operated by nonunion employes, have in as many localities been attacked by frenzied mobs, led on by excited partisans of the strikers, and in each instance stripped of their clothing and, among other indignities, forced to wander about the streets in a nude condition until kindly disposed persons living in the neighborhood could supply them with clothing so that the police could scort them home.

This condition of anarchy has gone o far that the police of St. Louis have received orders to shoot on sight any man guilty of such an offence, and men who formerly evaded summons to serve as deputy sheriffs are now volunteering to restore order by force. Prominent women are circulating a petition to the governor of the state imploring him to use the military arm to put down the lawlessness; and the labor leaders equally with the local authorities are appalled at the forces

of evil which the strike has unchained. A little while ago similar scenes were being enacted in Cleveland. Then the scene shifted to Chicago and now it is laid in St. Louis. Where will it end? How long will the public permit itself to be made to bear the brunt of these recurring acts of war when at any moment, by the simple ssertion of its strength, it can protect itself and protect society by compelling the parties in interest in such disputes to submit their differences to legal arbitration under a system making the award mandatory?

The Pittsburg committee that has een organized to proceed to China and investigate conditions will probably conclude to remain at home and read the newspapers.

A Study in Crime.

HE CASE OF Lieutenant Martin, who is undergong a trial by court martial for three alleged forgeries in connection with his management of the post exchange and canteen at Fort Hancock, just now offers extra interest to the student of criminology bewife has just been arrested for running a pool room in New York. More than thirty women, race-track gamblers, were caught in a round up in her establishment this week and the proprietor was held for trial,

The question naturally arises as to whether the officer whose crime has been found out is to blame for his own deflection from the path of honesty and also for his wife's most daring method of increasing the family income, or whether her extravagant desires and lack of principle are responsible for his recklessness and the down-

fall of both. Whatever may be the real truth in the case, the weight of opinion will probably incline to the latter view. The public seems to expect much higher standards of a woman than of a man. In the first place it would be likely to demand that she prevent her husband from managing a canteen and would be likely to insist that she cure him of the morphine habit which in this case is added to the unfortunate features. Then it would decidedly object to her position as a pool-room proprietor, whatever may be the prejudices regarding pool rooms in general. This particular army woman, by the way, is well equipped for the star role in a Captain King novel.

Here is a little fact which is big with meaning: "In 1889 there were in the United States in all 3,800,000 depositors in the savings banks. Ten years later, in 1899, there were no less than 5,200,000 depositors. In 1894 each depositor had an average of \$369 in bank; in 1899 the average had risen to \$419."

Taxation in France.

HE IMPRESSION of the average American concerning France, as influenced by recent misfortunes and scandals in French public life, is not complimentary and it probably is true that less attention is paid by American students of foreign methods to French ways and means of government than they deserve. Instruction is to be had in many particulars by scrutiny of French legislation, a fact emphasized in some recent reports from American consuls stationed in that republic.

An instance may be cited in the June report, which explains French methods of taxation. As summarized in the Washington Star, this article goes on to show some features which might well be imitated in the United States. For example, houses and other buildings are taxed in proportion to the rent derived from them, buildings used for business purposes paying a lower tax than those used as residences. To induce parties to build, houses are not taxed until three year after they are completed. Exemptions are granted to all large families of limited means and worthy of sympathy, and by a law of 1897 rural proprietors whose taxes would amount to from 10 to 25 francs are relieved from all taxation. Every species of business pays a license tax. and, strangest of all, the amount decertain to prevail at the next or short rived from personal taxes is as large as What is known as routine that derived from real property. The

is taxed is based upon its capacity to yield a revenue, and not on its intrinsic value. The French system has its drawbacks, notably in the case of a separate tax on doors and windows, the multiplication of which, for sanitary reasons, certainly ought to be encouraged. But the general idea of the French system, that taxation should be based as far as possible on the ability of the property taxed to produce a revenue, instead of upon its intrinsic value, is one well calculated to become popular in this country.

The Indian famine and its accompanying horrors are in part the result the street car strike in St. Louis of tree-destruction. Now is the time a number of men have been kill- for the United States to profit by the ed or crippled, a large amount of prop- lessons of the East and check, before erty has been destroyed, half a mil- it is too late, the efforts of those who lion people have been subjected to would annihilate American forests,

With war measures uncompleted and much other valuable legislation at the column of abuses, three women Washington only partly through congress, it is a poor time for Republican voters to think of sending inexperienced men to represent them in the national legislature.

> France is liable in the near future to ave a war with the Moors on hand, This may offer the Bryanites a new issue for campaign purposes, if hostilities begin soon enough.

Lord Roberts acts like a man who intends to do his talking in the maga-

It seems about time for Poet Austin to again consult his rhyming diction

Outline Studies of Human Nature

Poking Fun at Chicago.

S OME time ago a Chicago man decided to name his infant daughter Eulalia, in bonor of the Spanish infants. And having done so, says the New York Tribune, he thought it would says the New York tribune, he thought to be the proper thing to inform the princess of the bonor he had paid to her. He therefore wrote to her on a sheet of his office paper and addressed it, "Infanta Eulalia, Spain, Europe," olding the word Europe to prevent the letter rom going by mistake to Spain, S. D. surse of time he received a reply from the in-nta, in which she graciously thanked him for he honor that he had done, wished her name the all happiness, and at the same time desired but her assurance of distinguished and profound esideration might be conveyed to the people Chicago. The letter was beautifully written superfine paper, with the royal arms of Spatn blazoned thereon in colors. It was the direc-tion of the envelope, however, that most ex-citd admiration of all who beheld it. The ad-

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Repartee by Heliograph.

cause of the fact that the lieutenant's THERE have been frequent little chats between Britons and Boers by means of the helio-graph, and in one of them the latter scored a lecided hit, relates the Saturday Evening Post, Speaking to the Boers crowning the steep hills that confronted Buller's army, the Englishman always worked and voted for the measures advoat the end of a conversation flashed; en we do get up there at you, may God help

> The answer came back: "Oh He will!" cent, made an equally witty retort the other "I hear you are going to dramatize your t work and play a principal part," said a friend of his, meeting him on the street.
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> Doyle shook his head. "I knew nothing of

> "But you are going to the front, are you not?"

Well, the first time you get into the thick of it I'll bet a new hat yours will be The White-Faced Company."
"No. sir,' retorted Doyle, "I'm a doctor, and

am going to make A Study in Scarlet, if you want to know."

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Wanted Her to Keep Time.

DURING Hans Ven Bulow's leadership of the orchestra at Hanover a tenor of fame was ngaged to play a star role in "Lohengrin," ac-ording to Das Neue Blatt, and while the singer was rehearsing his part Bulow was torced to 20 over the same bars a number of times with out the new actor beginning to sing. Tired of his wasted efforts, the leader stopped the or-chestra and angrily turned to the singer. "I know that a tenor is proverbially stupisl." se said, "but you seem to make an extensive

se of this unwritten law," At another time, while one of his grand in mezzes was being played with great feeling by his musicians, a peculiar noise, hardly per ceptible by untrained ears, annoyed the leader for some little time. At first he thought it re-sembled the flutter of wings, but soon he dis-covered that an elegant lady faming herself in one of the boxes close by. Bullow kept on with as gestures, fixing his eyes on the offender in manner which meant reproof. The lady, not coling this, was suddenly surprised by the leader dropping his stick and turning toward

her.
"Madam!" he cried, "if fan you must, please, at least, keep time with your infernal nuisar

The Chameleon's Revenge.

MERCY! What is that crawling thing?" M shricked four young ladies in the Walnut Hills floral hazaar, as they pointed to a diminu-tive lizard-like reptile crawling on the cup of a

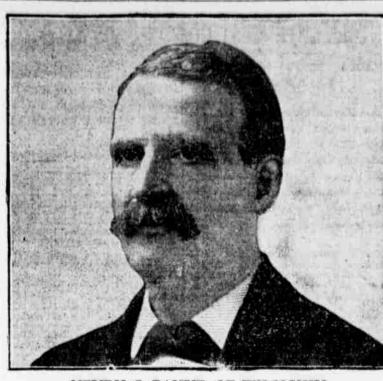
"That," said Roswell Brooks, with the air of one who knows, "is a chameleon from Brazil, ladies, We received it this morning. Observe, ladies, if you please, that the reptile changes color to accord with that of the object upon which it is placed. It is at present crimson in color because it is crawling on a crimson tulip." "Dear me!" said the girls, in chorus. "How

"I now take the chameleon from the tulip," said Brooks, with the air of a professor of natural history, "and place it against my cheek. What color is it now?" "Green!" cried the girls.

And so it was. The animal had turned a light shade of green, in spite of Brooks' furious blushes. Scientific gentlemen in the neighborhead were unable to account for the color it as sumed, as Mr. Brooks is anything but green. Cincinnati Enquirer,

Reviewed His Own Book.

WHEN Jesse Lynch Williams was a reporter on the Commercial Advertiser he went into the office of Mr. Vance Thompson, the literary editor, one day, writes Booth Tarkington in the Indianapolis Press, and asked if he could review a book. Mr. Thompson did not know any of the reporters by name, being a man of grave pre-occupations; however, he recognized Mr. Williams as a young man employed about the establishment acmewhere and he replied: "Certainly. Take anyone you like." Mr. Williams thereupon selected, from the pile on the literary elitor's desk, a copy of "Princeton Stories." a book which he had written with his own hand. A few days later the criticism appeared in the theonscious Mr. Thompson's column, and it was several weeks before he discovered that he had had "Princeton Stories" reviewed by the author.



HENRY C. PAYNE, OF WISCONSIN.

"There are many crudities in these stories, Mr. Williams had written of his own work "however, for a first book it shows some prom ise, and though the author is evidently very young, we hope that maturing years may bring him a greater mastery over the craft which he has just begun to study."

His Idea of a Hero.

S PEARING of schools, an English Bishop, mak ing a tour of this country, visited one of local schools the other day, says the New York Tribune. After congratulating the teacher on the fine appearance of her little scholars the distinguished clerical stood up to say a word to the children. The subject of his discourse hung before him in an engraving of the Father of His Country, mounted upon a fine white charger, that adorned the wall. Pointing to this portrait the Bishep said:

"Who can tell me the reason of this fine look." York Tribune. After congratulating the teacher "Who can tell me the name of this fine look

ng gentleman?" ng gentleman?

No one responded for at least a minute; but, recouraged by the visitor, a little fellow in the mack part of the room finally held up his hand, "Who is it, my son?" asked the Bishop, kindly.

"Buffalo Bill, sir," lisped the little American, which so excited the risibility of the visiting figuritary that he precipitately left the school rithout finishing his remarks.

How He Lost His Jurisdiction. I USTICE BREWER the other day told a story

of an Indiana justice of the peace will ed a farm. One line of his fence form ened a farm. the boundary of the states of Indiana and Ohio. Lake others in rural districts who hold that ofe, he had an abnormal appreciation of the reconsibility of the office, and never lost an ep-ortunity to exercise his prerogative of de-anding that the peace be preserved. One day his son and his bired man got to fighting on a stretch of the farm near the boundary line fence, and the justice of the peace rushed out and mounted the fence. Then, with head cocked high and the air of one who has but to comand he shouted:
"In the name of the state of Indiana, I de-

mand the preservation of the peace!"

Just then the fence fence gave way under his weight, and as he went down with the fence toppling over to the Ohio side, he shouted to

"Give him the mischief, Jim; I've lost my

A RECORD TO BE PROUD OF. From the Olyphant Record.

For two terms Hou. William Connell has been the representative of this district at Washingon. He was chosen four years ago by the largest vote ever given to any man for that office. Mr. Connell was then new to the public service and consequently his career was watched with interest by all parties. No one today discredits cated to promote the best interests of the country. He helped defeat Roberts' plan to a sea in congress; he worked for sound money; and many other important measures, but his chief work has been done in trying to get another United States judicial court in Pennsylvania. It is greatly needed, but it was left to Mr. Connell to push the matter to what looks now like a successful issue.

Besides these measures he has been on some of the important committees of the house and there has done hard, tiresome work for his conetituents and the country. No man has ever iven but what it was readily rendered. In all its four years there is nothing but good that un be said of his work. He has been a painsaking, conscientious official, eagerly watchful o the interests of his district. No man in the source has a better record for the faithful performance of every duty. He never neglects his inty; but is always present. His record is one to be proud of, and we have no doubt that he renominated by a handsome vote next Monday.

PERSONALITIES.

Hwang Chunghuei, former representative of China at the Court of Spain, is at present in Boston making a study of American educational Henry Labouchere is described as careless and untidy in dress and a smoker of poor cigarettes. He is fend of home life and devoted to us wife and daughter.

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Congressman Littlefield, of Mains, was the son of a Free Will Baptist clergyman, who anged his parish several times, and hence he boy went to many schools George Croall, of 17 London street, Edin-

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burgh, is the only survivor of the threatrical found dinner of 1807, whereat Sir Walter Scot provisited himself the author of "Waverly." Professor Bernhard E. Fernow, of the College of Forestry of Cornell University, has been elected an official delegate to the International Congress of Ferestry, to be held in connection with the Paris Exposition.

The Miss Winter who has recently been ap-pointed governess to the young children of the Crown Prace and Crown Princess of Reumania, is the same woman who had charge of the edu ention of the young Queen of Holland. When Ambassador Choate received his honorary degree at Edinburgh university the other da the cermonies were supplemented by the con-ferring of like honors on an Englishwoman-Miss Omerpod-who has achieved distinction as an entomologist.

Ex-Postmaster General William L. Wilson president of Washington and Lee university, who was sent to Arizona last winter on ac-Illness from which he was not expected to re cover, is now much better, and will probably completely regain his former good health. Henry C. Bliss, of West Springfield, Mass, hows public spirit of a novel but intelligent haracter. Within the last twenty years be but planted over 1,000 trees. The work has been done systematically, and the effect has been greatly to beautify the streets and public places

The eldest resident of Chicago is Henry Graves, who has lived there since 1sil. His family, with twelve others, came there in a schooler rom Ashtabula, O. The only other man who lived in Chicago at that time is Alexander Beau-bien, but as he has not lived in Chicago con-tinuously, Mr. Graves holds the record.

The return of Mme. Bernhardt to the United tates next winter depends entirely on the popuarity of her new play, "The Eaglet," which expects to bring here. If that shows in the late summer any signs of continuing and profits ble popularity in Paris, Mine, Bernhardt will not interrupt its run, but will remain in Parts The Right, Hon. William Bede Dalley, who fied in Australia recently, was accounted the most brilliant orator and statesman that Australia has so for produced. He was a manysided man-barrister, journalist, humorist, le turer, linguist, scholar, parliamentarian, admit istrator and the possessor of charming person

ality.
Senator Pettus' big black slouch hat is a curisaity. It is his traveling desk, When h nt in the morning Senator Pettus fills his hat with letters and papers. He distributes them in sections as he visits the White House and the departments, but the old slouch hat is still bulging with documents when he reaches the



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